Bicycle Advisory Committee Resolution

Minneapolis
City of Lakes

To: Minneapolis City Council, Minneapolis Public Works

From: Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee

Date: April 26, 2023

Subject: Bryant Avenue Reconstruction Phase II Design Updates

The Minneapolis Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) is disappointed to learn about sudden, significant changes to a multi-year community-led design effort surrounding the Bryant Avenue Phase II Reconstruction.

The design phase for this project included years of in-person and virtual stakeholder meetings for Minneapolis residents and businesses, as well as presentations to the BAC and the Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC), in order to reach a design consensus. The BAC believes that disregarding that consensus for this reconstruction is an egregious violation of public trust, and calls into question any future design-level involvement between stakeholders, council-appointed advisory committees, and Public Works.

The BAC requests that the Bryant Avenue Phase II Reconstruction and any future projects which are approved by City Council and which have undergone significant community scrutiny be constructed as approved, per Minneapolis Code of Ordinances § 427.20 - City Council to control streets. Or, if revisions are required, be remanded for stakeholder and council review.